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Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar :—"Does he say that it will take effect within the term of the hon. Minister's office?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"I do not know, Sir, it is rather difficult to say." (Laughter.)

Mr. Basheer Ahmad Sayeed :—"May I know, Sir, on what ground the responsibility must be shared by the Government and the Corporation?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"I understand, Sir, because the Corporation has not made the arrangements it should."

Mr. Abdul Hamid Khan :—"May I know, Sir, if the Engineers of the Corporation have been consulted in regard to this matter?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"Yes."

Mr. Abdul Hamid Khan :—"Who are they?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"The Chief Engineer"

Mr. Basheer Ahmad Sayeed :—"May I know whether the Corporation owns any portion of the General Hospital or the Penitentiary?"

The hon. the President :—"The question does not arise."

Co-operative Societies

Registration of Co-operative Societies, etc.

*864 *Q.*—Mr. C. N. Muthuranga Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies takes nearly six months to register a society and to pass necessary amendments to by-laws;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies only transmits the papers regarding thr amendments to by-laws and registration of societies, to the Deputy Registrar, and if so, whether such an agency is necessary at all;

(*c*) whether the Government will consider the advisability of authorizing the Assistant Registrar himself to register societies and pass amendments to by-laws; and

(*d*) if the answer to (*c*) is in the negative, whether the Government will authorize certain members of the District Co-operative Federation, wherever the Federation is working, to register societies and pass amendments to by-laws?

A.—(*a*) The Government have no information.

(*b*) Yes, with his remarks; the agency is necessary.

(*c*) & (*d*) Not in the present state of the movement.

Mr. C. N. Muthuranga Mudaliyar :—"May I know from the hon. the Minister for Development whether the information could not have been called for considering the fact that the question has been asked nearly a month ago and at least will the Government call for the information now?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"No, it would serve no useful purpose. If any specific instance is cited, certainly I shall go into it."

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar :—"Is the hon. Minister aware that the delay in certain cases is not only a period of six months but two years?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"I accept the hon. Member's statement if he says so."

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar :—"With reference to the answer to clause (b), may I know why and how the agency is necessary ?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"Very well, Sir, the Deputy Registrar has a number of districts in his charge and the local officers are helpful to him."

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar :—"Does the hon. Minister know of any case where the Assistant Registrar has recommended the amendment of by-laws."

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : —"No case has been brought to my notice."

Mr. T. Adinarayana Chettiyar :—"I am asking whether he is aware of any case where the Assistant Registrar has recommended the amendment of any by-law so that we may know if there is any need for the post ?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"I do not know."

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao :—"In view of the fact that there is admittedly delay, will the hon. Minister undertake to investigate into the matter so that the delay may not occur in future ?"

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"The committee will no doubt go into the question."

Industries

Subsidy paid to the Institute of Science at Bangalore.

* 865 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha : With reference to my question No. 256 of 27th August 1927, will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) why no subsidy was paid to the Institute of Science at Bangalore during 1926–27 ; and

(b) whether anything has been decided to be paid in 1927–28 and if not, why not ?

A.—(a) Because, the question whether the Institute should be given any recurring grant and if so, what the amount of the grant should be, could not be decided before the budget was framed for 1926–27.

(b) Yes. Rupees 5,000 for three years from 1927–28 to 1929–30.

Applications under the Madras State Aid to Industries Act.

* 866 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. Swami : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) the number and nature of applications received under the Madras State Aid to Industries Act since November 1926 ;

(b) how many of them were considered and how many granted ; and

(c) whether the conditions under which moneys have been lent are published in newspapers from time to time ?

A.—(a) & (b) A statement is appended.[a]

(c) No.

[a] Printed as Appendix XI on page 517 infra.